

GREAT POND

Cape Elizabeth Twp., Cumberland Co.
U.S.G.S. Cape Elizabeth Me. (7 1/2')

Fishes

Largemouth bass	Minnows
Yellow perch	Golden shiner
Chain pickerel	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 131 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 78°F
Maximum depth - 5 feet	5 feet - 77°F

Principal fishery: Largemouth bass, chain pickerel

Great Pond is a shallow, weedy warmwater pond and managed for largemouth bass and chain pickerel. There are very few freshwater ponds of this size in the Cape Elizabeth area thus Great Pond serves as an important recreational area for the local residents.

Largemouth bass were introduced by the Maine Department of Fisheries and Wildlife in 1985 and the results are encouraging. Survival and growth are excellent. However, Great Pond is susceptible to winter kill; thus, the bass population will need to be monitored closely. Winter kills are most likely to occur during years of heavy snowfall and thick ice cover which reduces light penetration and decreases dissolved oxygen levels. Fishery biologists will

continue to monitor the fish populations in Great Pond and undertake necessary stocking of certain fish species as needed to maintain a viable fishery resource in Great Pond.

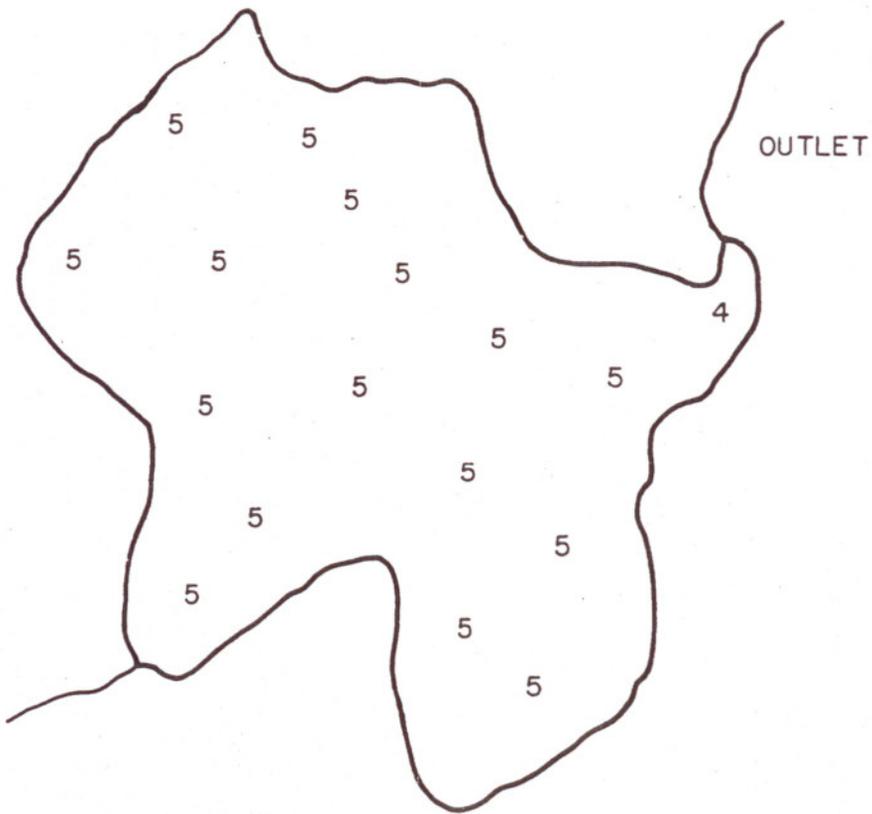
The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust recently purchased a parcel of land on Great Pond which serves as the access. The site is located along Route 77 and is limited to carry-in. The pond is open both summer and winter fishing under general law regulations.

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CAPE ELIZABETH TWP.,

CUMBERLAND CO., MAINE

AREA 131 ACRES

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ONE-QUARTER MILE